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C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 5424

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, JO, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDI REPAYMENT OF FY 1975 \$30 MILLION FMS CREDIT FOR JORDA
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REF: A. STATE 174394 B. JIDDA 5229 C. JIDDA 5340

1. DURING CALL BY CHARGE AND ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF ON
MINDEF PRINCE SULTAN ON AUGUST 2 CHARGE GAVE PRINCE TEXT OF
PROMISSORY NOTE (REF A). HE RECALLED THAT AMBASSADOR AKINS
HAD EARLIER RAISED MATTER WITH HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, AND WHILE
WE DID NOT KNOW IF JORDANIAN COS ZAYD BIN SHAKER HAD DIS-
CUSSED IT IN JUNE WHILE IN SAUDI ARABIA, WE HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT
JORDANIAN PM AL-RIFA'I HAD SENT A TELEGRAM TO KING KHALID
ON SUBJECT. (WE THOUGHT IT WAS BETTER NOT TO MENTION
TELEGRAM SENT ALSO TO PRINCE FAHD, SINCE IT MIGHT INCLINE
SULTAN TO ANSWER "WELL THEN, WHY DON'T YOU FOLLOW THIS
UP WITH MY BROTHER?").

2. SULTAN SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW OF A COMMUNICATION FROM
ZAYD RIFA'I, BUT THAT BIN SHAKIR HAD DISCUSSED WITH HIM
IN A GENERAL WAY JORDAN'S NEED FOR SAUDI FINANCIAL ASSIS-
TANCE IN VARIOUS PROJECTS, INCLUDING AIR DEFENSE. SAUDI
REPLY HAD BEEN POSITIVE IN PRINCIPLE, BUT SAUDIS HAD
ASKED FOR MORE DETAIL, WHICH AS FAR AS SULTAN KNEW HAD NOT
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YET BEEN FORTHCOMING.

3. CHARGE ASKED IF SULTAN WOULD FOLLOW UP WITHIN THE SAG ON THE \$30 MILLION DOLLAR CREDIT; SULTAN SAID HE WOULD STUDY THE PROMISSORY NOTE. CHARGE ALSO SAID HE WOULD SUGGEST VIA U.S. EMBASSY IN AMMAN THAT GOJ PROVIDE APPROPRIATE SAUDI AUTHORITIES WITH INFORMATION THE FMS CREDIT, AND ANY OTHER PENDING REQUESTS OR MILITARY ASSISTANCE. SULTAN SAID THAT WOULD BE FINE.

4. COMMENT: FOREGOING DRAFTED BEFORE RECEIPT OF AMMAN'S 5219 WHICH JUST CAME IN. NO FURTHER ACTION WITH GOJ NOW SEEMS NEEDED.
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